UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION

DIGITAL MEDIA SOLUTIONS, LLC,) CASE NO. 1:19-cv-145
Plaintiff,)) JUDGE DAN AARON POLSTER
v. SOUTH UNIVERSITY OF OHIO, LLC) MAGISTRATE JUDGE) THOMAS M. PARKER)
et al.,	j
Defendants.)

RECEIVER'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO PLEAD IN RESPONSE TO INTERVENOR'S COMPLAINT FILED BY MANAGEMENT SERVICES GROUP, INC. [DOC. 387]

On July 3, 2019, intervenor Management Services Group, Inc. dba Marketing Support Network ("MSN") filed its Complaint in Intervention against Dream Center Education Holdings, LLC ("DCEH"), one of the Receivership Entities. For the reasons set forth herein, the Receiver moves this Court for an Order granting him leave to file a responsive pleading to MSN's Complaint until the earliest of: (1) the Receiver's receipt of sufficient funds to begin making distributions to creditors; (2) the Court ordering the Receiver to administer a proof of claim process; or, (3) the termination of this Receivership.

MSN's Complaint alleges that it provided, but was not paid for, services to DCEH through December 31, 2018. See MSN Compl. 12 [Doc. 387]. MSN does **not** allege that

¹ The Receiver notes that MSN followed this Court's instruction and sought leave to file the Complaint at issue, which motion was granted by this Court. The motion was filed on June 27 [Doc. 381], and was granted on July 2, before the response time allowed by Local Rule 7.1(e) elapsed. Had a response to MSN's motion been filed, it would have raised the same issues identified within the instant pleading.

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it provided any services to DCEH or any other Receivership Entity during the course of

the Receivership for which it did not receive compensation. Its claim is therefore based

solely on pre-Receivership conduct.

The cash-strapped nature of this Receivership is no secret. The Receiver should

not be forced to investigate and possibly litigate with MSN (or any other creditor) over

the amount of its claim, when the Receiver may never have sufficient funds to pay any of

the unsecured creditors, like MSN. Stated simply, and at this time, it is not in the best

interest of the Receivership for the Receiver to engage in litigation with creditors over the

amount of their claims.

MSN will not be harmed if the Court grants this motion. It is not as though there

is a race to lay claim to a pool of funds available to the pre-Receivership creditors. There

are presently no funds to pay any pre-receivership creditors, so any delay in MSN

recovering a judgment is of no effect. Seemingly recognizing the presently futile nature

of seeking a worthless judgment, we note that none of the other unsecured and secured

creditors who have intervened in this case have sought leave to file complaints. MSN is

no different than any other unsecured pre-receivership creditor.

For these reasons, the Receiver requests that the Court grant this Motion and issue

an Order granting him leave to file a responsive pleading to MSN's Complaint until the

earliest of: (1) the Receiver's receipt of sufficient funds to begin making distributions to

creditors; (2) the Court ordering the Receiver to administer a proof of claim process; or,

(3) the termination of this Receivership.

Dated: July 22, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The foregoing was electronically filed this 22nd day of April, 2019. Notice of this filing will be sent to all parties by operation of the Court's electronic filing system. Parties may access this filing through the Court's system.

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